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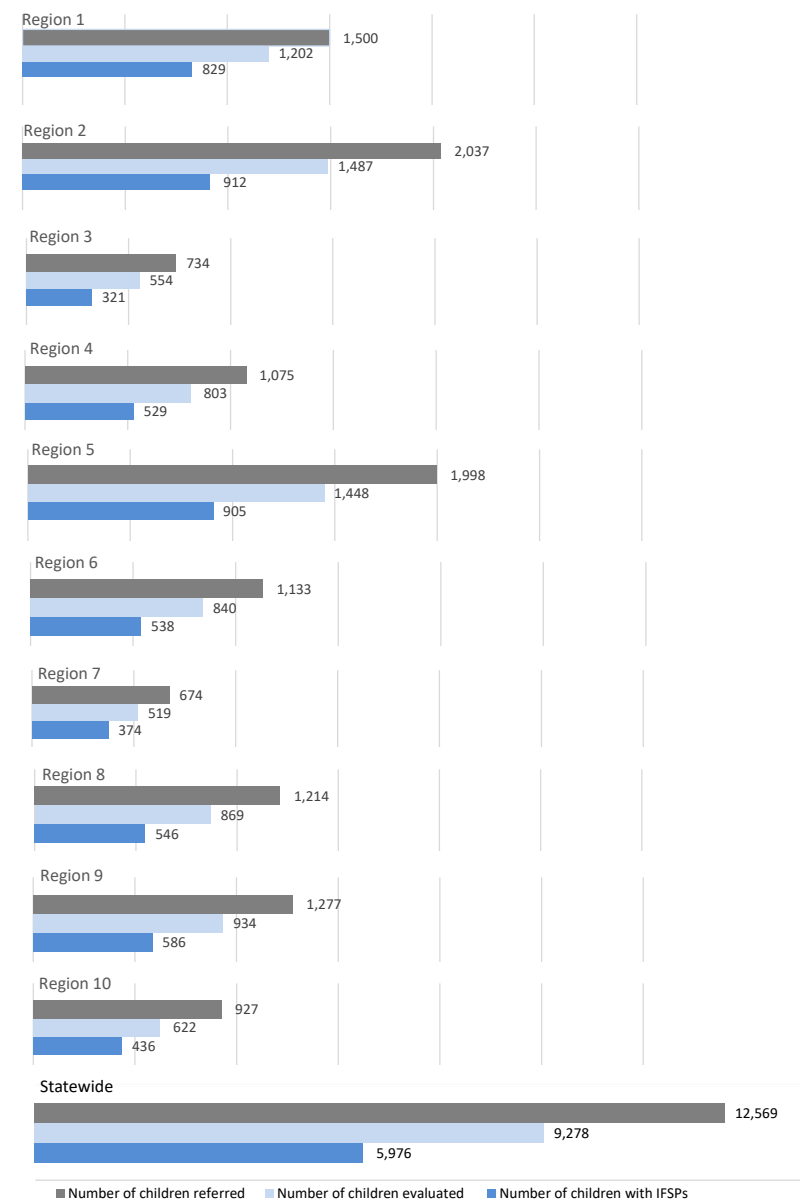
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**Number of Unduplicated Referrals, Number of Children Evaluated, and IFSP
Unduplicated Referrals During Last 12 months (May 2023 to Apr. 2024)**

SPOE	Category	Number/Rate
Greater St. Louis (Reg. 1)	Number of children referred	1,500
	Number of children evaluated	1,202
	Number of children with IFSPs	829
	IFSP rate for all evaluated children	69.0%
St. Louis County (Reg. 2)	Number of children referred	2,037
	Number of children evaluated	1,487
	Number of children with IFSPs	912
	IFSP rate for all evaluated children	61.3%
Northeast (Reg. 3)	Number of children referred	734
	Number of children evaluated	554
	Number of children with IFSPs	321
	IFSP rate for all evaluated children	57.9%
Northwest (Reg. 4)	Number of children referred	1,075
	Number of children evaluated	803
	Number of children with IFSPs	529
	IFSP rate for all evaluated children	65.9%
Greater Kansas City (Reg. 5)	Number of children referred	1,998
	Number of children evaluated	1,448
	Number of children with IFSPs	905
	IFSP rate for all evaluated children	62.5%
Central (Reg. 6)	Number of children referred	1,133
	Number of children evaluated	840
	Number of children with IFSPs	538
	IFSP rate for all evaluated children	64.0%
Southwest (Reg. 7)	Number of children referred	674
	Number of children evaluated	519
	Number of children with IFSPs	374
	IFSP rate for all evaluated children	72.1%
South Central (Reg. 8)	Number of children referred	1,214
	Number of children evaluated	869
	Number of children with IFSPs	546
	IFSP rate for all evaluated children	62.8%
East Central (Reg. 9)	Number of children referred	1,277
	Number of children evaluated	934
	Number of children with IFSPs	586
	IFSP rate for all evaluated children	62.7%
Southeast (Reg. 10)	Number of children referred	927
	Number of children evaluated	622
	Number of children with IFSPs	436
	IFSP rate for all evaluated children	70.1%
Statewide	Number of children referred	12,569
	Number of children evaluated	9,278
	Number of children with IFSPs	5,976
	IFSP rate for all evaluated children	64.4%

Referrals exclude "Inquiry Only" referrals.

**Comparison of Number of Unduplicated Referrals, Children Evaluated,
and Children with IFSPs by SPOE and Statewide**



Primary Referral Sources and IFSP Eligibility Rates Over Last 12 Months

Referrals Include Multiple Referrals Per Child

SPOE	Medical Providers	Social Service Agencies	Early Childhood Programs	Parent
Greater St. Louis (Reg. 1)				
Primary Referral Sources (last 12 months)	849	87	163	833
Primary Referral Sources resulting in IFSP	364	20	70	464
IFSP Rate	42.9%	23.0%	42.9%	55.7%
St. Louis County (Reg. 2)				
Primary Referral Sources (last 12 months)	1,231	127	148	1,106
Primary Referral Sources resulting in IFSP	427	25	41	537
IFSP Rate	34.7%	19.7%	27.7%	48.6%
Northeast (Reg. 3)				
Primary Referral Sources (last 12 months)	603	68	103	174
Primary Referral Sources resulting in IFSP	225	14	41	96
IFSP Rate	37.3%	20.6%	39.8%	55.2%
Northwest (Reg. 4)				
Primary Referral Sources (last 12 months)	578	63	98	588
Primary Referral Sources resulting in IFSP	244	11	35	299
IFSP Rate	42.2%	17.5%	35.7%	50.9%
Greater Kansas City (Reg. 5)				
Primary Referral Sources (last 12 months)	1,115	159	205	981
Primary Referral Sources resulting in IFSP	412	33	90	481
IFSP Rate	37.0%	20.8%	43.9%	49.0%
Central (Reg. 6)				
Primary Referral Sources (last 12 months)	906	61	158	345
Primary Referral Sources resulting in IFSP	351	20	52	178
IFSP Rate	38.7%	32.8%	32.9%	51.6%
Southwest (Reg. 7)				
Primary Referral Sources (last 12 months)	387	48	131	273
Primary Referral Sources resulting in IFSP	153	13	73	174
IFSP Rate	39.5%	27.1%	55.7%	63.7%
South Central (Reg. 8)				
Primary Referral Sources (last 12 months)	730	186	258	411
Primary Referral Sources resulting in IFSP	273	35	97	216
IFSP Rate	37.4%	18.8%	37.6%	52.6%
East Central (Reg. 9)				
Primary Referral Sources (last 12 months)	801	146	158	503
Primary Referral Sources resulting in IFSP	312	25	69	253
IFSP Rate	39.0%	17.1%	43.7%	50.3%
Southeast (Reg. 10)				
Primary Referral Sources (last 12 months)	664	163	1,545	264
Primary Referral Sources resulting in IFSP	256	27	625	149
IFSP Rate	38.6%	16.6%	40.5%	56.4%
Grand Total - Primary Referrals (last 12 months)	7,864	1,108	1,545	5,478
Grand Total - Primary Referral Sources resulting in IFSP	3,017	223	625	2,847
IFSP Rate for Each Referral Source	38.4%	20.1%	40.5%	52.0%
% by Source - Statewide	49.2%	6.9%	9.7%	34.2%

Referrals exclude "Inquiry Only" referrals.

IFSP counts are unduplicated

Medical Providers include Hospital (other than NICU), Physician (inc. Psych.), Other health care provider, Public Health Facilities/Providers, and NICU.

Social Service Agencies include DMH, DHSS, CAPTA, Homeless Family Shelters, Domestic Violence Shelters/Agencies, and Social Service Agency (inc Foster Care).

Early Childhood Programs include Parents as Teachers, Head Start/Early Head Start, Other LEA program, Child Care Program/Provider, and MSD/MSB.

Active Children with IFSPs by Primary Program Eligibility

		Dev. Delay - Half Age	Dev. Delay - ICO*	Medical Condition/Medical Condition - ICO*	Very Low Birth Weight	Total
Greater St. Louis (Reg.1)	Number	719	135	277	130	1,261
	Percent	57.0%	10.7%	24.5%	10.3%	100.0%
St. Louis County (Reg.2)	Number	869	170	292	203	1,534
	Percent	56.6%	11.1%	20.6%	13.2%	100.0%
Northeast (Reg.3)	Number	331	30	126	59	546
	Percent	60.6%	5.5%	31.9%	10.8%	100.0%
Northwest (Reg.4)	Number	516	31	155	58	760
	Percent	67.9%	4.1%	19.2%	7.6%	100.0%
Greater Kansas City (Reg.5)	Number	913	23	274	138	1,348
	Percent	67.7%	1.7%	22.0%	10.2%	100.0%
Central (Reg.6)	Number	573	30	206	100	909
	Percent	63.0%	3.3%	26.4%	11.0%	100.0%
Southwest (Reg.7)	Number	380	37	77	37	531
	Percent	71.6%	7.0%	18.0%	7.0%	100.0%
South Central (Reg.8)	Number	533	98	180	62	873
	Percent	61.1%	11.2%	19.0%	7.1%	100.0%
East Central (Reg.9)	Number	609	32	196	110	947
	Percent	64.3%	3.4%	24.1%	11.6%	100.0%
Southeast (Reg.10)	Number	461	16	127	63	667
	Percent	69.1%	2.4%	21.3%	9.4%	100.0%
Grand Total (Statewide)	Number	5,904	602	1,910	960	9,376
	Percent	63.0%	6.4%	20.4%	10.2%	100.0%

* Informed Clinical Opinion (ICO)

Active Children with IFSPs by Primary Setting*

		Home	Community Setting	Total Natural Environment Setting	Other**	Total
Greater St. Louis (Reg.1)	Number	1,141	102	1,243	5	1,248
	Percent	91.4%	8.2%	99.6%	0.4%	100.0%
St. Louis County (Reg.2)	Number	1,399	114	1,513	9	1,522
	Percent	91.9%	7.5%	99.4%	0.6%	100.0%
Northeast (Reg.3)	Number	497	46	543	1	544
	Percent	91.4%	8.5%	99.8%	0.2%	100.0%
Northwest (Reg.4)	Number	680	66	746	0	746
	Percent	91.2%	8.8%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Greater Kansas City (Reg.5)	Number	1,256	83	1,339	0	1,339
	Percent	93.8%	6.2%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Central (Reg.6)	Number	801	98	899	2	901
	Percent	88.9%	10.9%	99.8%	0.2%	100.0%
Southwest (Reg.7)	Number	469	61	530	0	530
	Percent	88.5%	11.5%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%
South Central (Reg.8)	Number	726	127	853	1	854
	Percent	85.0%	14.9%	99.9%	0.1%	100.0%
East Central (Reg.9)	Number	902	40	942	1	943
	Percent	95.7%	4.2%	99.9%	0.1%	100.0%
Southeast (Reg.10)	Number	591	73	664	0	664
	Percent	89.0%	11.0%	100.0%	0.0%	100.0%
Grand Total (Statewide)	Number	8,462	810	9,272	19	9,291
	Percent	91.1%	8.7%	99.8%	0.2%	100.0%

*Does not include children with meetings in ongoing status.

** Other includes Special Purpose Center, Hospital, Residential Facility, and Service Provider Location.

Active Children with IFSPs Compared to SPOE Population by Race

	Greater St. Louis (Region 1)	St. Louis County (Region 2)	Northeast (Region 3)	Northwest (Region 4)	Greater Kansas City (Region 5)	Central (Region 6)	Southwest (Region 7)	South Central (Region 8)	East Central (Region 9)	Southeast (Region 10)	State Total
Total % of Pop	5.45%	4.78%	4.72%	3.79%	4.00%	4.93%	4.23%	3.80%	4.83%	4.57%	4.49%
Asian and Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander*											
% of Pop.	3.97%	3.41%	0.00%	2.46%	2.20%	3.12%	2.54%	2.93%	3.24%	2.13%	3.06%
Black or African American**											
% of Pop.	6.06%	5.34%	5.07%	4.64%	4.31%	6.43%	4.68%	3.49%	5.72%	5.56%	5.17%
White											
% of Pop.	5.28%	4.55%	4.74%	3.76%	4.06%	4.78%	4.33%	3.90%	4.82%	4.45%	4.42%
Native American or Alaska Native											
% of Pop.	4.49%	3.92%	2.78%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2.08%	1.53%	0.00%	1.59%	1.21%

*Census data (2022 US Census Estimates) combines race categories Asian & Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander.

**Children with two or more races are included in the Black percent of population.

Active Children with IFSPs Compared to SPOE Population by Ethnicity

	Greater St. Louis (Region 1)	St. Louis County (Region 2)	Northeast (Region 3)	Northwest (Region 4)	Greater Kansas City (Region 5)	Central (Region 6)	Southwest (Region 7)	South Central (Region 8)	East Central (Region 9)	Southeast (Region 10)	State Total
Hispanic/Latino											
Active Children	119	106	26	89	215	92	98	73	46	31	895
Under 3 Pop.	1,521	1,798	523	1,892	5,200	1,273	1,754	1,510	954	707	17,132
% of Pop.	7.82%	5.90%	4.97%	4.70%	4.13%	7.23%	5.59%	4.83%	4.82%	4.38%	5.22%
NOT Hispanic/Latino											
Active Children	1,142	1,428	520	671	1,133	817	433	800	901	636	8,481
Under 3 Pop.	21,622	30,301	11,052	18,170	28,497	17,151	10,809	21,481	18,661	13,887	191,631
% of Pop.	5.28%	4.71%	4.71%	3.69%	3.98%	4.76%	4.01%	3.72%	4.83%	4.58%	4.43%

Inactivations by Reason-Children Who Had an IFSP, Last 12 Months

SPOE	Child Deceased	Completion of IFSP	Moved Out of State	Parent Withdrawn/ Withdrawn due to FCP	Pt B Elig in Process	Pt B Inelig Exit to Other/Pt B Inelig Exit w/o Ref	Pt B Ref Refused Parent	Transition to Part B	Unable to Contact/ Locate	Grand Total
Greater St. Louis (Region 1)	0.5%	3.4%	4.2%	11.3%	5.7%	16.1%	7.1%	45.4%	6.2%	100.0%
St. Louis County (Region 2)	0.2%	2.4%	3.2%	11.1%	4.7%	12.4%	4.9%	53.0%	8.2%	100.0%
Northeast (Region 3)	0.6%	0.0%	2.3%	14.2%	2.0%	13.4%	2.8%	59.4%	5.4%	100.0%
Northwest (Region 4)	0.1%	1.9%	4.1%	20.1%	4.6%	12.4%	5.3%	47.4%	3.9%	100.0%
Greater Kansas City (Region 5)	0.5%	1.6%	5.9%	14.3%	3.3%	9.1%	8.2%	50.8%	6.3%	100.0%
Central (Region 6)	0.2%	0.3%	2.6%	17.0%	2.6%	11.2%	6.4%	54.5%	5.0%	100.0%
Southwest (Region 7)	0.5%	7.5%	2.8%	16.3%	2.8%	6.1%	7.9%	51.3%	4.9%	100.0%
South Central (Region 8)	0.0%	2.0%	3.6%	22.3%	4.2%	8.1%	8.4%	46.5%	4.9%	100.0%
East Central (Region 9)	0.0%	2.4%	5.0%	14.3%	1.8%	12.3%	8.4%	51.5%	4.3%	100.0%
Southeast (Region 10)	0.6%	0.4%	4.2%	20.7%	2.8%	14.3%	8.6%	40.8%	7.6%	100.0%
Statewide %	0.3%	2.2%	4.0%	15.6%	3.7%	11.7%	6.9%	49.8%	5.9%	100.0%

Percentage = Inactivation Reason/Total for each SPOE

Inactivations by Reason-Children Who Had an IFSP can include multiple enrollment periods for one child.